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Sir:

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Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated September 16, 2003 for two months, from October 16, 2003 to December 16, 2003.

Please charge the \$420.00 fee to cover the cost of the extension to Deposit Account No. 08-0219. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

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